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## IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE

## OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ADA

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JEFFREY L., by his mother and next Friend, Shawn L.; ) JORDAN B, by his mother and next friend, Karen B.; DILLON H., by his mother and next friend, Kim H.; MOLLY B., by her mother and next friend, Debbie B.; ISABELLA N., by her mother and next friend, Tammie Jo B.; JOSEPH S., by his guardian and next friend, Jennie K.; and COMPREHENSIVE ADVOCACY, INC., an Idaho non-profit corporation, on behalf of other similarly situated Idaho children,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

HEALTH AND OF DEPARTMENT IDAHO WELFARE, an executive department of the State of Idaho; RICHARD M. ARMSTRONG, Director of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, in his official capacity; and LESLIE M. CLEMENT, Administrator of the Division of Medicaid, in her official capacity,

Defendants.

Case No.: CVOC0815034

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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COMES NOW, the above-named Plaintiffs, by and through their counsel of record, Mary Jo Butler, of the firm Comprehensive Advocacy, Inc., and Defendants, Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Richard M. Armstrong, and Leslie M. Clement (hereinafter collectively referred to as "IDHW"), by and through their counsel of record, Deputy Attorney General Peg M. Dougherty, and enter into this Memorandum of Understanding.

Information Release 2008-12 was intended to address Medicaid covered rehabilitative services provided in schools or during school hours. This Memorandum of Understanding addresses those services.

The Parties agree as follows:

- IDHW will not deny rehabilitative services to children under the age of 21 based on the provision of those services during normal school hours and will not deny services based on where the child receives educational services.
- 2. Prior authorized plans will be honored by IDHW.
- 3. IDHW will not cite or recoup payments for services provided under approved plan.
  In addition, IDHW will not cite or recoup payments for developmental therapy services provided during school hours at a private school or home school location.
- References to education in a child's Medicaid plan are acceptable; however, goals
  and objectives must reflect adherence to the criteria for Medicaid approved services.
- Community based services are not contingent upon the existence of an IFSP or IEP.
- Prior authorized plans submitted will be reviewed and approved based on IDHW rules and this clarifying Memorandum of Understanding.
- 7. Plans submitted for prior authorization will be considered for approval based upon the eligibility and criteria for the particular service in IDHW's administrative rules.

IDHW does not and shall not require documentation from families related to their 8. decision to home-school their children or send their children to private schools.

IDHW does not require parents to submit an EPSDT packet unless services being 9. requested are beyond covered Medicaid benefits. If parents have received an EPSDT packet as a result of the IR, they do not need to complete or submit the packet information.

10. Provider agencies who stopped billing for IDHW approved services as result of the IR should contact the IDHW Regional IBI Coordinator within the next 60 days for adjustments to service limitations.

DATED: September 20,2008

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